

**ELLWOOD CITY BOROUGH COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M. – COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
March 16, 2026**

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**AGENDA/MOTION SHEET**

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**I. OPENING EXERCISES:**

- A) Call to Order
- B) Roll Call
- C) Invocation – Derek Platt, First Methodist Church
- D) Pledge of Allegiance
- E) Visitors
- F) Communications

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Special Meeting 2/9/26, Regular Meeting 2/16/26

A motion would be in order to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting held 2/9/26 and the Regular Meeting held 2/16/26 as submitted.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**III. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS:**

Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 3/12/26 and List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 3/12/26.

A motion would be in order to approve the Pre-Paid Voucher List dated 3/12/26, in the amount of \$622,648.29, and the List of Vouchers to be Paid dated 3/12/26, in the amount of \$304,832.48.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**IV. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

A motion would be in order to approve the Departmental Reports, as submitted.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**V. BID OPENINGS**

**VI. ORDINANCES**

**1. Adopt Ordinance – 90 Minute Parking (Pittsburgh Circle/Glen Ave)**

A motion would be in order to adopt an amendment to the traffic ordinance, as submitted, establishing a 90-minute parking zoning on Pittsburgh Circle (west side) from Glen Avenue to a point 100' south, Monday through Friday from 8am – 7:30pm.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Adopt Ordinance – Mechanical & Electrical Amusement Devices  
A motion would be in order to adopt an amendment to the Mechanical & Electrical Amusement Devices Ordinance, as submitted, changing the date when the license fee is due from January 31 to November 1 of each year.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

## VII. RESOLUTIONS

1. Application – Lawrence Co. Liquid Fuels Tax Funds  
A motion would be in order to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, authorizing the submission of an application to Lawrence County for an allocation of County Liquid Fuels Tax Funds (\$18,230) for a roadway replacement project, specifically to replace two (2) concrete sections of Bridge Street between Bluff Avenue and Linden Avenue (east side)(Phase II).

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Repeal Resolution #2026-3 Revised Fee Schedule  
A motion would be in order to repeal the adoption of Resolution #2026-3, amending the Borough's fee schedule.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Revised Fee Schedule  
A motion would be in order to adopt a Resolution, as submitted, amending the Borough's fee schedule.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

## VIII. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

## IX. COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

### Finance: (Williams, Celli, Lamenza)

1. Charge Tax Collector for 2026 Tax Duplicate  
A motion would be in order to charge Sue Gatto, Tax Collector for the 2026 Tax Duplicate of \$3,297,351.96 at Face.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Transfer – To General Fund from Park Improvement Fund  
A motion would be in order to transfer \$14,390 to the General Fund from the Park Improvement Fund.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Health/Public Safety: (Cragle, Lamenza, Ovia)**

1. Advertise Ordinance – Stop Intersection (Pittsburgh Circle at First Street)  
A motion would be in order to advertise an amendment to the traffic ordinance establishing a stop intersection on Pittsburgh Circle at First Street (eastbound & westbound) and to remove the “no left turn” at this intersection.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. EC Volunteer Fire Department – Installation of a Safe Haven Baby Box  
A motion would be in order to approve the request by the EC Volunteer Fire Department to install a Safe Haven Baby Box at the fire department. The EC VFD will abide by all the State requirements under the program (Newborn Protection Act, PA Title 23 Code 6504.3).

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

3. EC Area Historical Society – Model A/Model T Car Cruise  
A motion would be in order to approve the request by the EC Area Historical Society to hold a Model A/Model T car cruise on June 14 from 9am – 5pm. It is further requested to close Fifth Street from Lawrence Avenue to Crescent Avenue and Bell Avenue from Vosler Way to the First Methodist Church parking lot for this event.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Public Works: (Celli, Mancini, Ovia)**

1. New Castle Engineers – 2026 Paving Program  
A motion would be in order to authorize New Castle Engineers to prepare/advertise bids for the 2026 Street Paving Program.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Approve Quote – Groff Tractor & Equipment (Backhoe)  
A motion would be in order to approve the purchase of a 2026 John Deere Backhoe Loader (Model 320) from Groff Tractor & Equipment at a cost of \$144,390 (Costars) with a trade in of a 2012 JCB Backhoe. This amount will be paid from the General Fund.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Utilities: (Williams, Celli, Cragle)**

1. Approve Quote – Power Substation Services - \$15,704.50  
A motion would be in order to approve the quote from Power Substation Services in the amount of \$15,704.50 to retrofill (1) two-load tap changers (oil change). This amount will be paid from the Electric Capital Reserve Fund.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Approve Quote – VanGorder Construction - \$7,000

A motion would be in order to approve the quote from VanGorder Construction in the amount of \$7,000 for the purchase of a 300KW transformer coming from a Mt. Vernon Drive commercial property. This amount will be paid from the Electric Fund.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parks/Recreation: (Mancini, Johnson, Ovia)**

1. LHS Boys Tennis Team

A motion would be in order to approve the request by the LHS Boys Tennis Team to use the Ewing Park Tennis Courts March 1 – May 15 from 3-6:00pm.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Field Request – EC Little Wolverine Football

A motion would be in order to approve the request by the EC Little Wolverines to use the multipurpose field at Stiefel Park May - June, Mondays & Wednesdays from 6-7:30pm and July 1– Oct 31, Monday – Friday, 6-8pm.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Boy Scout Troop #806

A motion would be in order to approve the request by Boy Scout Troop #806 to camp at shelter #8 on April 24 & 25 during the Earth Day Festivities and to have a small camp fire.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

4. “Renee’s Run” (Renee Giles) – Benefit Walk/Run

A motion would be in order to approve the request to hold a benefit walk/run event (“Renee’s Run”) on June 27 from 8am-12pm in Ewing Park.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Holistic Wellness Event – Ewing Park

A motion would be in order to approve the request to hold a holistic wellness event on July 18 from 10am-4pm in Ewing Park.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

6. YMCA Pool Mgmt. Agreement

A motion would be in order to approve the 2026 YMCA Swimming Pool Management Agreement, as submitted. The cost for the YMCA to manage the pool is \$14,000. This amount will be paid from the General Fund.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Administration/Personnel: (Lamenza, Cragle, Williams)**

1. Travel Request – PSAB Conference (Court, Celli, Williams)

A motion would be in order to approve the travel request by Anthony Court, George Celli, and Jan Williams to attend the PSAB Conference in Hershey, PA May 31 – June 3. The cost is \$3,252.51 plus meals and mileage. This will be paid from the General Fund.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Advertise Employment – Summer Employment (Parks & Playground Instructors)

A motion would be in order to advertise for summer employment (Parks, and Playground Instructors).

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Policy – Electronic Communications & Computer Use Policy

A motion would be in order to adopt a policy, as submitted, regarding “Electronic Communications and Computer Use”.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Advertise Ordinance – Municipal Employees’ Pension Plan

A motion would be in order to advertise an amendment to the Municipal Employees’ Pension Plan clarifying that when an employee is on Workers Compensation, that time is considered to be an “Authorized Leave of Absence” and further outlining the terms of “Credited Service”.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Travel Request – Advanced Lineworker Training (Devin Marshall)

A motion would be in order to approve the travel request of Devin Marshall to attend Advanced Lineworker Training in Columbus, OH, May 18-21 and July 13-16. The total cost will be \$5,756. This amount will be paid from the Electric Fund.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Employment – Joshua Syphrit (Part-Time Firefighter)  
A motion would be in order to authorize the hiring of Joshua Syphrit as a part-time Firefighter at the rate of \$21.00/hour.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Employment – Tyler McCutcheon (Part-Time Firefighter)  
A motion would be in order to authorize the hiring of Tyler McCutcheon as a part-time Firefighter at the rate of \$21.00/hour.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Community Development/Buildings: (Ovial, Celli, Johnson)**

1. Zoning Map Amendment – From HM-1 Hospital/Medical District to R-1 A-Residential District  
A motion would be in order to start the process of amending the Zoning Map changing certain parcels from HM-1 Hospital/Medical District to an R-1 (A-Residential District).

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Lease Agreement – John DiBuono (Ellwood Area Family Center)  
A motion would be in order to approve the Rental Agreement, as submitted, with John DiBuono to use the building at 311 College Street for a family recreation center. The term of this lease will be for the period 5/1/26 – 4/30/27 and DiBuono will be paid \$1,000/month (\$12,000/year).

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Blight: (Johnson, Mancini, Lamenza)**

**Technology: (Cragle, Johnson, Mancini)**

**X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**XI. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Allegheny Electric Cooperative – Agreement for Electric Service  
A motion would be in order to approve the Agreement with Allegheny Electric Cooperative, as submitted, relative to the delivery of power and rate schedules.

Moved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

**XII. MAYOR'S REPORT**

**XIII. MANAGER’S REPORT**

**XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Picnic shelter reservations will begin on the fourth Monday in **March** (Mar. 23) at 7:30am for non-Borough residents

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**